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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1 - 16 (Canceled)

- 17. (Currently Amended) A hopped malt beverage having enhanced light stability prepared by a process comprising treating a process liquid having a high riboflavin content with an effective amount of actinic radiation from a lamp having a minimum power output specification as follows: at least about 90 60 percent between about 300 340 and less than about 800 550 nanometers based on wavelength specific output power as measured in watts per square meter at a distance from the light source of three meters, whereby the riboflavin content is reduced to less than 0.2 ppm and the resulting hopped malt beverage has enhanced stability to light.
- 18. (Original) The hopped malt beverage of claim 17 wherein said beverage is beer.
- 19. (Original) The hopped malt beverage of claim 17 wherein the process is a continuous process and the irradiation is carried out in a static mixer.

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- 20. (Previously Added) The hopped malt beverage of claim 17 in which the process liquid is wort.
- 21. (Previously Added) The hopped malt beverage of claim 20 wherein the riboflavin content is reduced to less than 0.1 ppm.
- 22. (Previously Added) The hopped malt beverage of claim 21 wherein the riboflavin content is reduced to less than 0.07 ppm.
- 23. (Previously Added) The hopped malt beverage of claim 22 wherein the riboflavin content is reduced to less than 0.03 ppm.
- 24. (Previously Added) The hopped malt beverage of claim 17 wherein the process liquid is maintained at a temperature of from about 25°C to about 90°C during the treatment with actinic radiation.